to the non-availability of medicines even for ordinary diseases in Government hospitals in the country particularly in the State of Arunachal Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken to improve the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) and (b) 'Health' being a State subject, the State Governments monitor the various activities and functioning of health delivery systems. However, no such incident of non-availability of medicines for ordinary diseases has been reported from the Cenrtal Government hospitals.

केन्द्रीय मेडिकल कालेजों में शिक्षण कर्मचारियों के पदों से संबंधित नियमों का कार्यान्वयन

1502. श्री जनेश्वर मिश्र : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :—

(क) क्या सरकार ने केन्द्रीय सरकार के नियंत्रणाधीन मेडिकल कालेजों में शिक्षण कर्मचारियों के पदों से संबंधित भारतीय चिकित्सा परिषद् के नियमों को लागू कर दिया है ;

(ख) लेडी हार्डिग मैडिकल कालेज में शिक्षण कर्मचारियों के पदों की स्थिति क्या है और उसमें प्रवेशार्थियों की क्षमताऐं क्या हैं ; और

(ग) क्या लेडी हार्डिग मैडिकल कालेज में शिक्षण कर्मचारियों की अपर्याप्त संख्या के कारण पूर्व-स्नातक छात्र प्रभावित नहीं हो रहे हैं ; यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है ?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० सी० सिल्वेरा) : (क) शिक्षा स्टाफ के पदों के लिए भारतीय चिकित्सा परिषद के नियम सभी चिकित्सा कालेजों पर लागू होते हैं।

(ख) और (ग) मंजूरशुदा शिक्षण स्टाफ में से कुछ पद रिक्त होने की सूचना मिली है। इन रिक्त पदों को भरने के लिए पहले ही कार्यवाही शुरू कर दी गई है। उक्त पद के लिए संबंधित भर्ती नियमों में यथानिर्धारित न्यूनतम शैक्षिक अर्हताएं पूरी करने वाले व्यक्तियों में से शिक्षकों की भर्ती की जाती है। अतः सभी शिक्षण स्टाफ अच्छी तरह अर्हताप्राप्त होता है।

Delay in issue of offer of appointment for the post of Chowkidar

1503. SHRI GHUFRAM AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the candidates who were interviewed for the post of Chowkidar in the reserved category of S.C., S.T. and OBC in the office of Addl. Director (North) CGHS Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi have been awaiting offer of appointment since long;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when the selected candidates are likely to be issued the offer of appointment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The offer of appointment has already been issued to all the selected candidates.

Disparities in payscales of doctors

1504. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that physicians of Indigenous System of Medicine and Homoeopathy and Allopathic doctors employed under the CGHS are deriving similar benefits with regard

to the pay scales, time-bound promotions etc., if so, the details thereof and since when these are in force; and

(b) if there are some disparities therein; what are details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) and (b) The physicians of Indigenous System of Medicine and Homoeopathy and allopathic doctors employees under C.G.H.S are deriving similar benefits with regard to the pay scales and all allowances etc.

However, the physicians of Indigenous System of Medicine and Homoeopathy are not getting time bound promotions. In 1990 a High Power Committee was set up to look into career improvement and cadre restructuring of the practitioners of Indigenous Systems of Medicine. The Committee recommended the following promotional avenues for practitioners of Indigenous System of Medicine and Homoeopathy:—

(1) The post of Superintendent, Ayurvedic Hospital may at present be opeerated in the functional scale of Rs. 4500-5700.

(2) Nine posts may be provided in the CMO's grade (through upgradation of MOs posts) for manning the existing nine dispensaries under ISM&H and one post of CMO may be provided for the Ayurvedic Hospital, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.

(3) Fifty per cent of the posts which are at present available for operating the ISM&H system may be provided in the senior time scale and above.

(4) The three posts of Deputy Advisers in Ministry of Health and Family Welfare may be upgraded from Rs. 3000-5000 to Rs. 3700-5000 and merged in the cadre of CMOs.

All the above mentioned recommendations of the Committee have been accepted.

Disparity in payscale and promotional Avenues of Scientists in ICMR

1505. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any disparity in the pay scale and promotional avenues of the scientists employed in the Indian Council of Medical Research Councils of Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani medicine, Yoga and Homoeopathy; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) and (b) The pay structures between the Research Councils of Ayurveda, Siddha Unani Yoga and Homoeopathy are different from the pay structure of the Indian Council of Medical Research. A statement of the various posts and the corresponding pay scales in the Central Councils for Indian System of Medicine and the pay scales for different levels in the ICMR are enclosed (*See* below). The pay scales between the various Central Councils of Research under the Indian System of Medicine and ICMR are different because of the fact that the recruitment rules for the various posts under these two Council are different. Minimum educational qualification experience, etc. prescribed for various posts in ICMR and different Councils of Research for Indian Systems also are different.